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One case of eruption, in the person of a child on the steamship *Shimano Maru*, bound to Port Townsend via Kobe and Yokohama, was called to the attention of the United States sanitary inspector at Kobe, with request that he note on the bill of health his findings, as the case was not sufficiently developed to make a diagnosis here, and it was not thought expedient to hold the vessel at this port two or three days in order to do so. The Japanese surgeon on board was given instructions to hold the case in strict isolation pending inspection at Kobe.

Manifests were viseéd during the week for 16,019 pieces of freight. The following report of communicable diseases was made by the municipal health officer: Smallpox, 3 deaths; enteric fever, 4 cases; diphtheria, 1 case. The total mortality was 3 foreigners and 120 natives.

There were no quarantinable diseases reported from any of the outports. Niuchwang is now frozen in and no further reports are being received from there, hence the plague situation at that point is unknown.

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Report from Cienfuegos—Scarlet fever and diphtheria.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, December 30, as follows: During the week ended December 26, 1903, bills of health were issued to two vessels going to ports in the United States, both in good sanitary condition and no sickness on board.

There are a few cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria reported in the

city, but no deaths from these diseases.

Proper precautions are being taken by the local authorities to prevent the spread of these diseases.

The mortuary report for this week has not been received.

Report from Habana.

Assistant Surgeon Trotter reports, December 26, as follows: Week ended December 26, 1903:

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued	19
Crews of outgoing vessels inspected.	714
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected	282
Pieces of freight inspected	172

Mortuary report of Habana for the week ended December 26, 1903.

Disease.	Number of deaths.	Disease.	Number of deaths.
Tuberculosis Pneumonia Bronchitis Broneho-pneumonia Enteritis	$\begin{smallmatrix}8\\2\\2\\2\end{smallmatrix}$	Meningitis Scarlet fever Measles. Septicemia Cancer	$\begin{smallmatrix}2\\1\\1\\1\end{smallmatrix}$

Total deaths from all causes, 109.

Report from Matanzas—Diphtheria—Danger to health from overflow of river averted.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, January 5, as follows: Week ended January 2, 1904: Two bills of health were issued to vessels bound for ports in the United States.